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AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Delete the paragraph beginning at page 24, line 1 and insert the following paragraph in lieu thereof.

The second sub-class of materials are produced by reacting a $(H_2N)_2$ -R- $(NH_2)_2$ monomer with a $(keto)_2$ -R'- $(keto)_2$ or (keto)(hydroxy)-R'-(hydroxy)(keto) monomer. The point of contortion may be present in the $(keto)_2$ -R'- $(keto)_2$ or (keto)(hydroxy)-R'-(hydroxy)(keto) monomer alone, in which case the $(H_2N)_2$ -R- $(NH_2)_2$ monomer represents the planar species (exemplified by reaction scheme **D**).

Reaction scheme D